

# **PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**January 21, 2005**

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## MINUTES

1. Called to order at 8:35 am by Marilyn Wilkinson.
2. Opportunity for Members of Public to Speak on Items Not on Today's Agenda
3. Approval of November 19, 2004 Minutes
  - Approval of November minutes.
4. DEPARTMENT REPORT
  - We just sent out a Needs Assessment Survey to approximately 60,000 residents in the Spring Valley, Lakeside and Fallbrook and have in the first week have received responses from approximately 8% so far. We are very happy with this and will report the results when we compile them.
  - Over the holidays we had the Ring and Run event with the teens from the Spring Valley and Lakeside Teen Centers. The kids go out at night and put big baskets of food and presents on the porch and ring the doorbell and then run away and the family is surprised with a basket of holiday goodies.
5. DISCUSSION ITEMS
  - PLDO Fees – Eric Wong
    - ♦ Distributed handouts showing the graphical representation of the PLDO fee methodologies and surveys.
    - ♦ Area 1 is the unincorporated areas of San Dieguito - \$1,000
    - ♦ Area 3 is the unincorporated Palomar, Julian, Mt. Empire and Anza-Borrego - \$400
    - ♦ Area 2 is all of the other areas - \$600
    - ♦ Brian Albright – We have already talked to the Supervisors about bringing this forward this year and more than likely the two options that we would mostly look at is either the model park or mortgage price.
      - Rick Landavazo – is there something that compares the need to the gross dollars?
    - ♦ Yes, the model park is the comparison between the need and the dollars.
      - Marilyn Wilkinson – what was the reaction from the Board Aides when you told them of this increase?
    - ♦ I would say that there was some mild shock. None of them were surprised that we needed to raise the fees, but they were a little amazed by the amount that we were suggesting.
    - ♦ Next month you can expect a proposed schedule of how we plan to bring this forward.
    - ♦ We will not bring this forward as just a fee increase it will be an amended ordinance.

- Rod Groenewold – Would it be possible to maybe have this as an incremental phase in instead of a huge jump? We have let this
- Wildfire Recovery – Brian Albright
  - ◆ We had re-opened all of our parks except for El Capitan and Oakoasis, but have since had to close many of them again because of the rain damage.
  - ◆ Our estimate for the damage from the recent rains is \$1.5 million and we have submitted that to State OES because we have said that these costs would not have been like this if had not had the devastating fires.
  - ◆ We have received preliminary approval for the costs from the recent rains, but have not heard anything back from the State about costs from the October rains.
- County Trail Plan – Brian Albright
  - ◆ The Board of Supervisors passed the County Trails Plan on January 12, 2005.
    - Marilyn Wilkinson – Why did they postpone the hearing date?
  - ◆ It was originally done to try and get the budget included in the Board letter, but we were still not able to get it included. The budget will be included with the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter budget adjustment.
- Historical Properties – Lynne Christenson
  - ◆ Distributed list of fire affected county parks and archaeology sites.
  - ◆ We have found 428 sites so far.
  - ◆ At Santa Ysabel many of the sites have been evaluated for the National Register and have been accepted. This means that we have to watch these sites and we can't put trails, staging areas, ballfields, etc in the area. These areas mostly will just be protected areas.
  - ◆ There are numerous archaeological databases out there including the National Register, California Register, County Designation and Native American Historical record.
  - ◆ If a project comes up I can look at the GIS map of the area and see if there is anything that is in the area and then I can pull the reports if there are any on the area and see what the evaluations were for the specific site.
  - ◆ I currently have a NEG CCC employee working for me fulltime, but the only restriction is that it can only be in fire damaged parks.
  - ◆ If there was an existing trail in the area of an archaeological site it would depend on what the evaluation was of the site and if we need to move a trail, etc.
  - ◆ Anyone can submit a nomination to any of these registers and there is a board or commission at each level that reviews them and decides if they are eligible. It is also the same the higher you go up the more specific information and details you need to get the site listed.
    - Rick Landavazo – we have had a lot of people go out into Hellhole Canyon and follow a checklist that Lynne prepared and they have found a lot of very interesting information.
    - Rod Groenewold – I know that when I did some archaeological work before they would actually prepare these areas to protect them when fires or rains or whatever happens.
  - ◆ We are currently in the inventory phase and haven't been able to go to t phase yet. It is also a little more difficult to do this step because it usually requires someone with more training and skills in the field.

- San Luis Rey Land Acceptance – Brian Albright
  - ◆ The Rincon Tribe was required to mitigate approximately 50 acres because of their casino.
  - ◆ We struggled with them on how to accept these parcels because it was two 40 acre parcels. What we ended up doing was marking off a 53 acre parcel that we accepted and then left the part of the area that is next to Hwy 76 for them because the 76 is going to be widened.
  - ◆ This way Rincon can deal with what extra mitigation they have after the widening project.
  - ◆ The environmental agreements have to be signed by May, but I am confident that this will be done.
- San Luis Rey Master Plan Update – Doug Goad
  - ◆ We met last night at the Bonsall Community Center and Vince Nicoletti and Matt Bohan gave a great presentation on the project.
  - ◆ There are 14 sites that they have found that they might be able to use for this park.
  - ◆ There was a survey done of what people wanted and far and above trails was the number one request and then it was close between active recreation and environmental preservation.
  - ◆ Hargraves and Associates were moderating the meeting and I am really happy with them and how they are doing with this project.
  - ◆ It looks like there is enough area and possibilities to have both trails and active use as well as preserving the environment. I think that this is a project that we can get everything we want.
  - ◆ I am very encouraged about this project.

#### 6. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

- ◆ John Degenfelder – I was going to ask how the County is doing with the Ramona grasslands and property in Ramona.

#### 7. ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 9:55 am by Marilyn Wilkinson.

#### ATTENDEES:

Marilyn Wilkinson, District 2

John Degenfelder, District 2

Doug Goad, District 3

Rick Landavazo, District 5

Rod Groenewold, District 5

Brian Albright, County of San Diego Parks and Recreation

Jason Hemmens, County of San Diego Parks and Recreation

Eric Wong, County of San Diego Parks and Recreation

Lynne Christenson, County of San Diego Parks and Recreation

Sabrina Hicks, County of San Diego Parks and Recreation